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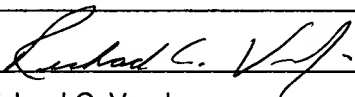
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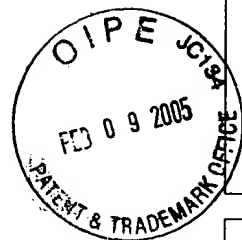
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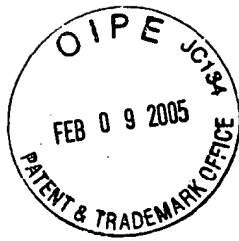
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 10, 2005, applicants hereby elect Group A, claims 25-32 and 34-41, for examination at this time.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.